

H.R. 2853. An act to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of Bulgaria.

At 4:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House agrees to the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 927) to seek international sanctions against the Castro government in Cuba, to plan for support of transition leading to a democratically elected government in Cuba, and for other purposes.

MEASURE REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and second times by unanimous consent and referred as indicated:

H.R. 2853. An act to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (most-favored-nation treatment) to the products of Bulgaria; to the Committee on Finance.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

H.R. 497. An act to create the National Gambling Impact and Policy Commission.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-1915. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a violation of the Antideficiency Act, case number 94-08; to the Committee on Appropriations.

EC-1916. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on the Elk Hills Reserve; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1917. A communication from the Director of Administration and Management, Office of the Secretary of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of agreements and transactions for fiscal year 1995; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1918. A communication from the President and Chairman of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a statement regarding a transaction involving exports to Ukraine; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1919. A communication from the Executive Director of the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1920. A communication from the Vice President of Government and Public Affairs of the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Amtrak annual report for calendar year 1995 and grant request and legislative report for calendar year 1996; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1921. A communication from the Comptroller of the Currency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on consumer com-

plaints for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1922. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the Federal Aviation Administration; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1923. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the benefits of safety belts and motorcycle helmets; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1924. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Effectiveness of Occupant Protection Systems and Their Use"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1925. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on Federal technology partnerships; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1926. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fisheries of the United States"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1927. A communication from the Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of a budget estimate, request, or information; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1928. A communication from the Administrator of the Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Performance Profiles of Major Energy Producers 1994"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1929. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the 1994 annual report on low-level radioactive waste management; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1930. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to Exxon and stripper well oil overcharge funds as of September 30, 1995; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1931. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Compliance, Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of the intention to make refunds of offshore lease revenues where a refund or recoupment is appropriate; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1932. A communication from the Director of the Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the Proposed 5-Year Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Leasing Program for 1997-2002; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1933. A communication from the Deputy Associate Director for Compliance, Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of the intention to make refunds of offshore lease revenues where a refund or recoupment is appropriate; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE SUBMITTED DURING RECESS

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of March 5, 1996, the following report was submitted during the recess of the Senate:

S. Res. 227: An original resolution to authorize the use of additional funds for salaries and expenses of the Special Committee To Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters, and for other purposes.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HATFIELD, from the Committee on Appropriations, without amendment:

S. 1594. An original bill making omnibus consolidated rescissions and appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-236).

By Mr. BOND, from the Committee on Small Business, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 942. A bill to promote increased understanding of Federal regulations and increased voluntary compliance with such regulations by small entities, to provide for the designation of regional ombudsmen and oversight boards to monitor the enforcement practices of certain Federal agencies with respect to small business concerns, to provide relief from excessive and arbitrary regulatory enforcement actions against small entities, and for other purposes.

By Mr. HATFIELD, from the Committee on Appropriations:

Special Report entitled "Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals from the Concurrent Resolution for Fiscal Year 1996" (Rept. No. 104-237).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mrs. KASSEBAUM, from the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

Marca Bristo, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Council on Disability for a term expiring September 17, 1998. (Reappointment)

Kate Pew Wolters, of Michigan, to be a Member of the National Council on Disability for a term expiring September 17, 1998. (Reappointment)

Edna Fairbanks-Williams, of Vermont, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 1998. (Reappointment)

Donna Dearman Smith, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation for a term expiring March 3, 1998.

LaVeada Morgan Battle, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 18, 1998. (Reappointment)

John N. Erlenborn, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 1998.

David Finn, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2000.

William P. Foster, of Florida, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2000.

Patricia Wentworth McNeil, of Massachusetts, to be Assistant Secretary for Vocational and Adult Education, Department of Education.

Norman I. Maldonado, of Puerto Rico, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 1999.

Wallace D. McRae, of Montana, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 1998.